



Headteacher's Headlines

What a week! The highlight has to be World Book Day which took place on Thursday. The children came to school dressed as their favourite character. They worked throughout the day on tasks to earn their Blue Peter Reading Badge [Blue Peter Book badge | Find out how to earn the Book BP badge - CBBC - BBC](#) We were also blown away when we received a delivery of nearly two hundred inclusive books from Avanti West Coast to encourage children to read and learn about diversity.

Blue Peter Reading Badge

The children have been sent home a form for parents to complete. School will then send the forms to Blue Peter with their work. Reading badges will then be delivered to the children's houses. It says online that these could take a few months to arrive. The badges give them free entry to over 200 attractions around the UK, for further information please click here [Blue Peter Badge Attractions - CBBC - BBC](#)

Garden Update – Sunday 17th March

Our next working day in the garden is Sunday 17th March from 10am-3pm. You are very welcome to join us to help continue the great work which has started in this space.

Plastic count

We would like the whole school to participate in making a positive change, to put a stop on the plastic crisis. The children have been given a let's Count Tally Sheet to complete everyday next week. A letter has been uploaded to Class Dojo to explain more.

Parents Evening - Tuesday 12th March and Wednesday 13th March

Thank you to everyone who has made parents evening appointments, if you still need to make one this can be made on ParentMail.

Relax Kids - Wednesday 13th March

We are looking forward to welcoming Relax Kids into school on Wednesday this was rescheduled from January. Relax kids is a workshop on mental health, wellbeing and relaxation. All children and staff will be taking part.

Science Week - Thursday 14th March

Science week is a celebration of science, technology, engineering and maths. On Thursday the children will be taking a step back from usual lessons to dive deeply into their science learning. The children are going to be completing an investigation linked to this years theme of time.

Swimming Gala training session - Thursday 14th March

KS2 pupils who showed interest in the swimming gala, are attending a training session at The Sands Centre; Information has been sent out on Parent Mail.

Red Nose Day - Friday 15th March

Style your hair to make us smile! Silver coin donations welcome.



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Class News

Team Honeybees

Ever fancied choosing a dinosaur as a pet? Honeybees loved the idea after we explored the wonderful picture book The Dinosaur Department Store as part of our literacy lessons this week. They came up with some wonderful reasons as to why they wanted a particular dinosaur including being able to fly on the back of a Pterodactyl and being able to take a tiny Oculudentavis to school! In maths the focus for Reception children has been on different ways to make the number 10 – using two or even three parts, whilst our Nursery children have been exploring numbers to 5. There has been some fabulous learning about how fossils and skeletons help us understand a world before humans existed and of course we had the fun of World Book Day. All the children looked amazing and we had a great time celebrating and enjoying books.

Team Bumblebees

Team Bumblebees have had a very exciting week. We have reached the end of our fable writing and have started to draft our very own fables. In Maths we have started to learn about mass, Year 1 have compared the mass of different objects using non-standard units of measure like cubes. Year 2 have been introduced to grams and kilograms as a way of measuring and Year 3 have found the equivalent mass of objects using grams and kilograms. In Geography this week Year 3 researched where different food comes from and approximately how many food miles it would have travelled to get to us. In Science this week Year 3 have learnt about the different teeth we have and what uses they have. Finally, to top off our week we celebrated World Book Day, as you will have seen the children had such a fabulous day.

Team Queen Bee

This week, Queen Bees have continued to do great learning. Year 4 and 5 are now writing their final piece of discussion writing before moving on to our next topic: Myths and Legends! Having finished Measurement, we are now going to be looking at Shape. Children will be learning how to measure and classify angles with a protractor and using their knowledge of shape to problem solve. Previously, children have been learning about how plastics can cause harm to the ocean. Next week, the whole school will be taking part in the Big Plastic Count and in Queen Bees, the children will be using the information they collect at home to complete some data logging activities in class as a part of their current geography topic: Why do oceans matter?

Dates for the Diary

Tuesday 12th March	Parents Evening
Wednesday 13th March	Parents Evening
Wednesday 13th March	Relax Kids
Thursday 14th March	Swimming Gala Training Session
Friday 15th March	Red Nose Day
Sunday 17th March	Garden Day 10am-3pm
Tuesday 19th March	Honeybees and Year 1&2 Wildlife Park Trip
Wednesday 20th March	Bumblebee Class UDance
Saturday 23rd March	Lanercost Cross Country
Wednesday 27th March	Swimming Gala Competition
Wednesday 27th March	Spring Craft Day
Thursday 28th March	Spring Concert – St. Peter’s Church 2:30pm
Friday 29th March	PTFA Easter Fun Day 10am-1pm

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